REMARKS

The Specification has been amended to correct a typographical error. The Claims and Abstract have been amended to delete the reference signs. Claims 3-11 have been amended to remove multiple dependencies. Claims 1-12 are pending in this application.

Conclusion

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Charles Gorenstein (Reg. No. 29,271) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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ABSTRACT

A camera-equipped cellular phone effects character recognition processing on data of an image taken by a camera unit. More specifically, the data of the image taken by the camera unit is stored in a work memory, and control unit executes the character recognition processing. Character information being a result of the character recognition processing is temporarily stored in the work memory in a fashion related to a type of a character. The work memory can store a plurality of character information items related to the types of the characters, and the camera-equipped cellular phone can collectively store the plurality of character information items as phone book data of a single person.